

IN THE DRAWINGS

Replacement sheets 2, 4 and 5 are submitted herewith.

REMARKS

Careful consideration has been given to the Official Action of March 21, 2006 and the above amendatory action has been taken to place the application into condition for allowance.

Drawings

The Examiner has raised objection to the drawings and submitted herewith are replacement sheets of sheets 2, 4 and 5. Sheets 4 and 5 have been amended to refer to Figs. 8-14 as "prior art". Sheet 2 adds reference numerals 50, 51 in replacement of erroneous numerals 31 and 27.

The Examiner has found several inconsistencies between the specification and the drawings and appropriate correction has been made so that there now is consistency between them. In Fig. 4, original reference characters 31 and 27 are incorrect as these are not directed to the corresponding structure shown in the other drawings and as described in the specification. Rather, elements 31 and 27 have been redesignated as elements 50 and 51 referred to in the specification on page 7, line 23 as the members which connect the positive electrode collector 44 to the external terminal 48. Any remaining inconsistencies between the drawing and the specification have been rectified by appropriate amendatory action in the Specification as will be explained subsequently.

The Examiner refers to page 8 beginning at line 15 concerning the absence of illustration of the stand ribs 31. In order to overcome this objection, amendatory action has

been taken at page 8 line 14 to indicate that the showing which supports the description in question is shown in Figs. 3-5 (rather than Figs. 3 and 4 alone). Fig. 5 shows the extending edge 22a bonded to the collector 28. As previously noted, numeral 31 in Fig. 4 does not show the stand ribs and numeral 31 has been replaced by numeral 50. The stand ribs 31 are illustrated in Fig. 7.

As regards the electrode collectors, there is the collector for the negative electrode 28 and the collector for the positive electrode 41. Applicant has used the collective term "collector for negative electrode" and designated this as - 28 - and the collector for positive electrode and designated this as - 41 -. There is nothing erroneous or inconsistent with the terminology as used by the Applicant. As regards, Fig. 3, numeral 28, therein is illustrated the collector for the negative electrode 28 in the form of a disk.

Claims

The Examiner has indicated the allowability of the subject matter of claim 3. This subject matter has been incorporated into independent claims 1 and 6 and thereby, it is respectfully submitted that these claims are in condition for allowance. Claims 2, 4 and 5 depend from claim 1 and are allowable therewith. Claim 4 has been amended to correct its dependency so that it is dependent from claim 1.

By reason of the above action and comments, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are now in condition for allowance.

As it is believed that the formal objections to the drawing and specification are overcome by the amendatory action which has been taken, it is believed that the application is allowable and early dispatch of the Notice of Allowance would be appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,



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